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Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 1 and 3-20 are pending in the above-identified application.

Claims 1, 3-7, 11-17, 19 and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being obvious in view of Agasse, Harms et al. and Bedard. With regard to claim 1, this ground for rejection is overcome by the amendment to claim 1. In particular, neither Agasse, Harms et al. nor Bedard disclose or suggest a display interface for a television receiver comprising removal means, **responsive to a user command**, for simultaneously removing multiple bookmarks corresponding to highlighted channel indicators on a channel matrix. (Emphasis added). The basis for the amendment to claim 1 may be found in the specification at page 7, lines 11-13 and lines 19-24.

In the present Office Action, Examiner asserts that the combined references teach "removal means for simultaneously removing bookmarks." Agasse, Harms et al. and Bedard are described in the response to the previous Office Action. Bedard et al. is the only reference which teaches bookmarks. In Bedard et al., bookmarks are automatically removed when a program ends. (Col. 4, lines 10-21). Thus, if multiple programs end at the same time, multiple bookmarks may simultaneously be removed. The bookmarks in Bedard however, are not removed responsive to a user command. The present invention allows a user to remove bookmarks from the matrix prior to the end of a program. In contrast, in Bedard et al., the user must wait until programs end before bookmarks are simultaneously removed, even if the user no longer wants to have a program bookmarked. Because neither Agasse, nor Harms et al. nor Bedard disclose the limitations of claim 1, claim 1 is not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of Agasse, Harms et al. and Bedard.

Claims 3-7 depend from claim 1. Accordingly, these claims are not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of Agasse, Harms et al. and Bedard for at least the same reasons as claim 1.

With regard to claim 11, the rejection is overcome by the amendment to claim 1. In particular, neither Agasse, Harms et al. nor Bedard disclose or suggest a user interface method for bookmarking channels comprising the acts of adding or **removing a bookmark** from said corresponding channel **responsive to a user command** and simultaneously removing multiple bookmarks corresponding to highlighted channel indicators on said channel

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matrix. (Emphasis added). The basis for the amendment to claim 11 may also be found in the specification at page 7, lines 11-13 and lines 19-24.

Claim 11, while not identical to claim 1, include features similar to those set forth above with regard to claim 1. Thus, claim 11 is also not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for at least the same reasons as those set forth above with regard to claim 1. Claims 12-16 depend from claim 11. Thus, claims 12-16 are also not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for at least the same reasons as those set forth above with regard to claim 1.

With regard to claim 17, claim 17, while not identical to claim 1, include features similar to those set forth above with regard to claim 1. Thus, claim 17 is also not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for at least the same reasons as those set forth above with regard to claim 1.

With regard to claim 19, claim 19, while not identical to claim 1, include features similar to those set forth above with regard to claim 1. Thus, claim 19 is also not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) for at least the same reasons as those set forth above with regard to claim 1.

With regard to claim 20, the ground for rejection is overcome by the amendment to claim 20. In particular, neither Agasse, Harms et al. nor Bedard disclose or suggest a display interface for a television receiver, comprising a channel status section which displays status information which includes both bookmarked channel information and favorite channel information, separate from the bookmarked channel information. The basis for the amendment to claim 20 may be found in the specification at page 8, lines 8-12 and Figure 3.

In the present Office Action, Examiner asserts the combined references teach that "the channel matrix is configured to be displayed with only channels that are bookmarked." In particular, the Examiner asserts that Agasse teaches that a matrix may be grouped according to favorite channels and that the Bedard et al. reference discloses that favorite channels are those that are bookmarked. In the present invention however, bookmarked and favorite channels are different. (Page 8, lines 8-12 and Figure 3). Thus, a user may configure the matrix to be grouped according to favorite channels and then further configure the matrix to include only bookmarked channels. Because neither Agasse, nor Harms et al. nor Bedard disclose the

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limitations of claim 20, claim 20 is not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of Agasse, Harms et al. and Bedard.

The prior art made of record but not applied has been considered but does not affect the patentability of the invention.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of claims 1, 3-7, 11-17, 19 and 20.

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